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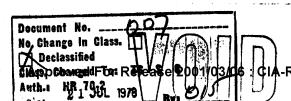


- 1. Eleven students are reported to be imprisoned for political reasons at the present time in Venezuela. University officials and student leaders are presently trying to arrange for their release but have been unable to discuss their cases with the proper authorities.
- 2. None of the students detained has been in jail for longer than three months. Those reported presently in prison include:
  - Elio Chacin Reyes, arrested at Maracaibo for anti-government activities. Chacin is an Accion Democratica (AD) student leader and is a delegate of the Universidad Central Students' Council.
  - Luis Unrique Aguilar, arrested when he attempted to enter the country clandestinely. Aguilar, an AD sympathizer, had previously been exiled.
  - Herman Brito, arrested by the Guardia Nacional for labor agitation following settlement of the oil industry labor dispute by decree, Brito is an AD sympathizer.
  - Ricardo Conzalez Anos, arrested for creating a disturbance during the 1 May 1951 parade. Gonzalez is a Partido Comunista de Venezuela (PCV) sympathizer.
  - Manuel Ramirez, arrested for painting political propaganda on walls in Caracas. Ramirez is a PCV sympathizer.
  - Felix Torrealba and Antonio Rincones, arrested for painting political propaganda on walls in Caracas. Both are AD sympathizers.

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